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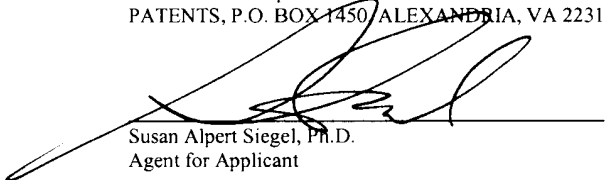
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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 13, 2003**

This responds to the Office action dated May 13, 2003. A three month period for reply was set, making a response due on or before August 13, 2003. Please insert the following remarks.

**The pending claims** are set forth in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

